Talen en Automaten

Retake Exam, Wed 1st Mar, 2017 18:00 – 21:00

This test consists of 5 problems over 2 pages. Explain your approach, and write your answers to the exercises on a separate folio (double pages) as indicated. You can score a maximum of 100 points, and each question indicates how many points it is worth. The test is closed book. You are NOT allowed to use a calculator, a computer or a mobile phone. You may answer in Dutch or in English. Please write clearly, and do not forget to put on each page: your name and your student number.

Notation Throughout the test, we denote for any alphabet $A, w \in A^*$ and $a \in A$ by $|w|_a$ the number of a's in w, as it was introduced in the lecture.

Write your answers to Problems 1 and 2 on a separate folio (double page)

Problem 1.

Let $A = \{a, b, c\}$ be our finite alphabet and define $f: A^* \to A^*$ inductively as follows

$$f(\lambda) = \lambda$$
 $f(av) = abf(v)$ $f(bv) = bcf(v)$ $f(cv) = caf(v)$

- a) Give a word w for which f(w) = abcabc. (3pt)
- b) Prove by induction the following property (for all $w \in A^*$) $|f(w)|_a + |f(w)|_b = 2|w|_a + |w|_b + |w|_c.$ (8pt)

Problem 2.

Consider the following regular grammar for well-formed natural number expressions. The alphabet is $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ and N is the start symbol. (Note that we avoid leading zeroes, so 34 and 304 are well-formed, but 034 is not.)

$$\begin{array}{ccc|c} N & \rightarrow & 0X \mid 1A \mid 2A \mid \dots \mid 9A \\ A & \rightarrow & 0A \mid 1A \mid 2A \mid \dots \mid 9A \mid \lambda \\ X & \rightarrow & \lambda \end{array}$$

a) Give a context free grammar for the language L of well-formed arithmetic expressions, that is expression involving natural numbers (see above), the binary operation \oplus and brackets.

So the alphabet is $\{0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,\oplus,(,)\}$ and you need to describe the expressions where the "brackets match" and \oplus is a binary operation. For example, $33 \oplus 33$, $((33) \oplus 34)$, $33 \oplus 34 \oplus 34$ and ((33)) are well-formed, but $33 \oplus 4$, $33) \oplus 4$, $33(\oplus 44)$ and $\oplus \oplus 33$ are not.

- b) Prove that L is not regular. (10pt)
- c) Give a regular grammar for the language L' of well-formed arithmetic expressions over natural numbers (see above) without brackets. So the alphabet is $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, \oplus\}$. For example, $33 \oplus 33$ and $33 \oplus 34 \oplus 34$ are well-formed, but $33 \oplus$ and $9 \oplus 33$ are not.
- d) Give a regular expression for the language L' (of the previous item). (8pt)

Write your answers to Problems 3, 4, 5, 6 on a separate folio (double page)

Problem 3.

Consider the language L over the alphabet $A = \{0, 1\}$, defined by

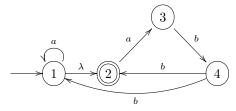
 $L = \{w \mid w \text{ starts with } 00 \text{ and does } not \text{ end with } 00\}$

Give a DFA that accepts L. Explain your answer.

Problem 4.

Let $A = \{a, b\}$ and consider the following NFA- λ M over A. (10pt)

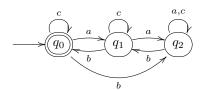
(8pt)



Use the powerset construction to give a DFA D with $\mathcal{L}(D) = \mathcal{L}(M)$. Indicate clearly from which states in M a state in D originates.

Problem 5.

Let $A = \{a, b, c\}$ and the DFA M over A given by (10pt)



Use the procedure from the lecture to construct a regular expression e such that $\mathcal{L}(M) = \mathcal{L}(e)$. Show each intermediate step.

Problem 6.

Let M be the PDA with

$$Q = \{q_0, q_1, q_2\} \qquad \qquad \delta(q_0, a, \lambda) = \{\langle q_0, A \rangle\} \qquad \qquad \delta(q_0, \lambda, \lambda) = \{\langle q_1, \lambda \rangle\}$$

$$\Sigma = \{a, b\} \qquad \qquad \delta(q_1, a, A) = \{\langle q_1, \lambda \rangle\} \qquad \qquad \delta(q_1, b, A) = \{\langle q_1, \lambda \rangle\}$$

$$\Gamma = \{A\} \qquad \qquad \delta(q_1, \lambda, A) = \{\langle q_2, \lambda \rangle\} \qquad \qquad \delta(q_2, \lambda, A) = \{\langle q_2, \lambda \rangle\}$$

$$F = \{q_2\}$$

- a) Draw a state diagram for M. (4pt)
- b) Show that aab is accepted by M, but that aabb is not. (5pt)
- c) Give a precise description of $\mathcal{L}(M)$ using set notation. (8pt)
- d) Construct a CFG G such that $\mathcal{L}(M) = \mathcal{L}(G)$. Explain your answer. (8pt)